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Summary

Cuban exiles have carried out seven hit and run pin-prick raids against Cuba beginning with the attack on a Havana waterfront hotel in late August 1962. These attacks in the main were improvised and with the exception of the last attack on a Soviet vessel caused virtually no damage.

List of raids

Aug. 24, 1962 First raid. Revolutionary Student Directorate Group shelled hotel on Havana waterfront causing minor damage.

Sept. 10, 1962 5-man crew from Alpha-66 group fired on a United Kingdom vessel and a Cuban vessel near Cayo-Frances causing slight damage to both vessels.

Oct. 8, 1962 Estimated 10-man party representing Alpha-66 staged raid on harbor installation at Isabela de Sagua causing undetermined number of casualties.

Oct. 12, 1962 A 6-man party under the direction of Manolo Quiza machinegunned a Cuban vessel in the sea area off the port of Cardenas. The vessel was reportedly sunk and two of the four crew members were injured.

Dec. 4, 1962 Several dozen raiders (representing the second front of the Escambray) in two small craft fired on installations in the port of Caibarien.

March 17, 1963 Vessel carrying small number of raiders representing Alpha-66 and the second Escambray front raid the harbor at Isabela de Sagua causing minor damage to the Soviet freighter L'Gov. There may have been casualties.

March 26, 1963 An estimated six raiders representing the L-66 group attacked the Soviet vessel BAKU in the harbor of Caibarien. Substantial damage was caused to the Soviet vessel.
